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CLASS DAY PROGRAM

Due to the survey taken by the "Stick" in regard to the Class Day Program, some changes have been made. The former traditions of a long marching procedure by the classes, the rose hoops and the entertainment have been done away with by popular demand. The new program now stands as stated below. At 2:00 Saturday, June 9, the classes will march on to front campus in order led by school marshal Robert Farrar. The class songs will then be sung by each respective group. The traditional rock breaking ceremony by the Senior Class will be next in succession followed by the Ivy Ceremony. This year the Junior Class will plant their ivy at the sundial.

The Alumni greeting will be next on the agenda for the Class Day afternoon. This year the numerous alumni will not be present and this will shorten the program a great deal. President White will follow the Alumni greeting with a short address and the presentation of the Cutler Award, a gold key to the I. A. student of the year.

According to schedule, at 3:30 the Glee Club will lead a community sing which will end the public Class Day program.

A social hour, with refreshments in the dining hall for seniors and their invited guests and faculty is planned.

In the evening at 7:30, there will be a community sing on front

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MILLER, SULLIVAN NEW EDITORS

Miss Marilyn Miller of Worcester, and Class of '53 is the new editor of THE STICK. She succeeds Mr. Leo McManus, and Miss Jean Conaty. Marilyn should be well known to all of you. She is a newly elected officer of The Adelpian Society, a Newman Club delegate, active in The Dramatic Club, and was previously Exchange editor for THE STICK.

Mr. Edmund Sullivan of Salem, Class of '53 is the new Associate Editor. Everyone must remember reading "Ed's" column "Book Reviews." He has been an active member of The Newman Club, The Mohawk Club, and The Student Council.

Miss Patricia Murray, of Fairhaven, Class of '52, is the News Editor. "Pat" was a reporter for the paper and is very much interested in Journalism. She has written many fine articles and helped to write The Tokalon assembly. She is an active member of The Newman and Dramatic Clubs.

Richard M. Smith of Fitchburg, Class of '52, is the Feature Editor. Smith is an outstanding personality at T. C. He is remembered by most of us in "The Bartered Bride." He is a member of the Student Council, a newly elected officer of The Dramatic Club and a member of The Mo-

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SUSIE

On the very quiet peaceful morning of May 8, 1951, tragedy struck in the city of Fitchburg. On this ill-fated morning at Fitchburg State Teachers College, "Suzie" the pet mascot and "girl friend" of F. T. C.'s Palmer Hall was involved in a fatal accident.

It started shortly after breakfast, when several students had walked across the street to the "spa." A group of students were playing with Suzie; meanwhile a car driven by an elderly lady, was approaching the intersection of Pearl Street and Myrtle Avenue. The car was proceeding slowly down the street when "Suzie" decided to cross the street in the path of the approaching automobile.

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SENIOR ASSEMBLY

"The Subnormal Country Club" was in a dilemma the day the members discovered that it was to be turned into a school. So it began, a laugh a minute, as the Seniors presented their annual assembly; a satire on faculty, school and students. Bud Wheeler (portraying himself) has discovered the shocking news and presents it to his fellow club members. Immediately there is confusion galore, and the "soon to be" teachers express their feelings in a song. "There Is Nothing Like A School."

Doctor Hush, portrayed by Joan Kenney, spares her feelings amid the confusion however and continues to do her duty; giving aptitude tests to the members.

During the acts and scenes the audience was amused by music comparable to Guy Lombardo; the non music lovers could always read the "Lowell Sun" which lent itself to two purposes, acting as both a curtain and a current events informer.

As the second scene opened we found great commotion in the

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May we, the Editors, apologize to the readers of THE STICK for such a tremendous lapse of time between issues. Editing the paper, now that the new staff has taken over, has consisted of learning "the ropes" from every angle; writing, assembling and printing. However, we feel confident that you will understand and you will enjoy this, our first issue of THE STICK.



NEWLY ELECTED CO-OP OFFICERS are, l. to r. Ed Flynn, Treas., Nancy Kenny, Pres., Gloria Spudaro, Sec and Joe Farias, V. Pres.

ALUMNI NOTE

A dinner meeting of the Newton-Framingham Chapter of the Fitchburg Teachers College Alumni Association was held recently at the Sinclair House in Framingham with Henry A. Lambert of Newtonville as toastmaster. Mr. Lambert, President of the Massachusetts State Teachers College Alumni Federation, with a membership of 36,000 graduates of our teacher-training institutions, reported the accomplishments of this organization in promoting legislative consideration of the budgetary needs of the teachers colleges.

Dr. Ellis F. White, President of the college, gave a stimulating address to the chapter members, setting forth the needs of the colleges and the active part the alumni will play in the welfare program of teacher training in this state.

Miss Florence Conlon of the faculty brought greetings and news from the campus and show-

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162 TO RECEIVE DEGREES JUNE 10

Sunday, June 10, the day which every Senior has been working toward, climaxes four years of earnest preparation. The schedule of events for this day, the Seniors Day will follow this pattern.

The Seniors will line up at 10:45 outside of the Junior High Building and the processional will start promptly at 10:55. After all have been seated, Miss Gratia Fisher, '51, will sing Har-ker's "How Beautiful Upon the Mountain".

Following this selection will be Rev. John J. O'Brien of Saint Bernard's Church, Fitchburg, who will deliver the address.

The College Glee Club, under the direction of Mr. Richard Kent, will then sing the Russian hymn, "Bless The Lord, O My Soul" by Ipolitoff-Ivanoff, which will conclude the mornings program. The Recessional beginning about 12:00, takes place in the same order as the marching in.

The Seniors will line up in the morning's position at 2:45, and will file into the auditorium at 2:55.

The Invocation will be delivered by Rev. Paul Bowman of the Rollstone Congregational Church, after which soloist Ronald Cormier, '53, will sing Handel's lovely, "What E'er You Walk".

The principal speaker for the afternoon will be Ermo Scott, the Director of Teaching Sciences, Department of Education, Augusta, Maine.

"My Dearest True" (c. 1600) will be sung by the Glee Club, following Mr. Scott's address.

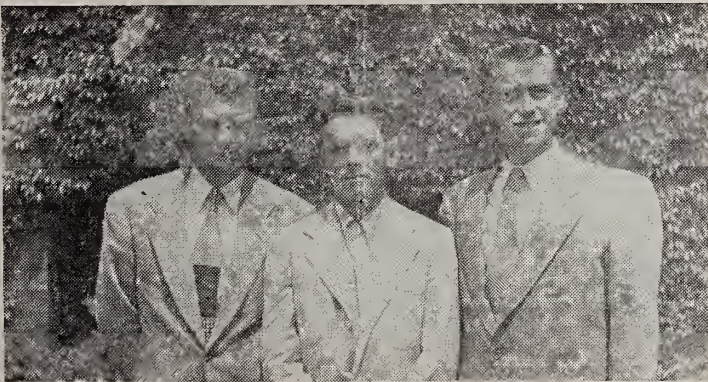
The delivering of the Benediction by Rev. Paul Bowman, will set the stage for the awarding of degrees by Dr. White.

The happiest, and yet the most sorrowful moment, now comes, as the graduates, no longer seniors, file out of the auditorium, ready to embark on the career for which this college has trained them.

YEARBOOKS

The Saxifrage will be here! If you were wondering whether or not you would receive your yearbook before school got out, don't worry about it! The book will arrive late Friday afternoon and will be given out at a dance in the lobby Friday evening from 6:30 to 10:00 in Mr. Holmes' offices. Those who can't possibly get their books Friday evening must get them Saturday morning in the lobby. Three hundred and fifty books were ordered; out of this number only ten are left. If you are one of the few who didn't order a Sax, you may still be able to get one.

By the way, don't forget to bring a pen so all your friends can sign your yearbook. Have something to remember them by.



Class officers for the year 1951-52 were voted upon recently with the following results. Richard Ferris was elected by the Freshmen as their president next year. "Rick" comes from Mamomet near Plymouth. He was elected to the Student Co-op this year and has been a member of the Glee Club and has helped out as stage manager for their main productions.

Carol Lynch, Vice President elect comes from Leominster. She is a star athlete, active in basketball, volleyball and softball this season.

Ann Le Blanc from Gardner, the sophomore secretary has a well earned reputation as a talented dancer. Her fine performance in the Glee Club Opera was

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But these things always turn out well and it develops that Jenik himself is Micha's son by a former marriage, so he gets the bride and the crowns.

Our Robert Smith sent many hearts fluttering with his sympathetic performance as the misunderstood lover, Jenik. In fact it was noticed that a good many "first nighters" came back the second night.

Beth Strombelis, the heroine Marie, showed a definite flair for acting as well as singing. She looked very charming in her

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IN RETROSPECT

At long last the time has come for us to write our final editorial. It seems like only yesterday that we sweated over the first one, and not too long before that, that we joined the staff of "THE STICK". Although the headaches at times have been many, the pleasure and experience of working on a college paper have been well worth it. And so it is with a bit of nostalgia that we concluded our association with this paper. We wish the new editors and staff, the best for next year, and a "well done" on this, their first edition.

This being the last editorial, we would like to make a general study of the past year, the ideas we have brought out and the problem which we made known.

The first subject under discussion if you remember was lockers. All of us are familiar with the cluttered condition of the lobby of the administration building which is due in part to the fact that about eighty commuting men on this campus are without locker facilities. We brought the matter to the attention of the Commuting Mens' Board and we understand that some action was taken on it. However, much more can be done for the problem, now that improvements are to be made throughout the school.

A new issue we would like to bring to the attention of the Administrative Board and the two commuting boards, is the time of lunch room facilities. Many commuters find that the lunch room hour from 11:30 A.M. - 1:00 P.M. is very limiting. Especially when it is necessary to use the lunch hour for some important reason. We think it would be a great help to the commuter, if the length of time the lunch room was available, was lengthened. At present, if a commuter has some matter that he must attend to during his lunch hour he is forced to eat his lunch in the day room or some where off campus.

So much for the commuter. Now let's take a look at the new attendance system. We think it has been in operation for a sufficient length of time to make a statement on it.

The new attendance system abolished the use of a cut system by the students, thus making each absence explainable to the professor. The system does not seem too rigid since it seats itself in the discretion of the professor in its execution. However, it does require a good deal of bookkeeping and is time consuming in a large class. Although we do not find any grave resentment to the system, there is still the feeling on the part of students that an element of student responsibility, which is a distinguishing mark of higher education, be allowed. We understand that research on the cut system is being carried on and hope that it will make provisions for this desire on the part of the students.

Let's turn now from the cut system to the question of assemblies. Throughout this year we have seen the knock-down, drag-out murder of "slap-stick". Lord grant that it will rest in peace next year. It sure has had it this year. There is nothing which portrays immaturity better than a comedy show that has fallen flat on its face. There have been presentations this year of comedy shows which would have made an excellent culmination activity for a junior high school unit. You know - there are only two ways about comedy shows - good and bad, there just is no in-between. Some comedy shows at this college have been pitiful, and as original as a duplicating machine. Then too, some people are cast in parts which would require a mother's love to understand how they got there.

While we are on the subject of assemblies, rumor has it that they are to be made compulsory next year. We will agree that if the faculty committee on assemblies and student co-op, (who will be paying for assemblies,) decide on a certain program involving off-campus people, then the students for the good name-sake of the school should have to attend. But, how about assemblies where there are no outside people involved? Would there be as much incentive for a club or group of students to present a constructive assembly when they knew the students had to attend, as when which must be considered. Well it's a rumor as we have said and like Aristotle we're just contemplating. We think it would be well

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FACULTY PERSONALITY



BY
PAT
MURRAY

Most of our freshmen have met her early in their college career, as their math teacher. Who is she? Why she is Miss Elizabeth Haskins, just as well known for her coronet of braids as for her mathematical ability.

Miss Haskins was born September 21, in Worcester, Mass. She attended Classical High School in her home town and then matriculated at M. I. T. where she received her Bachelor of Science degree in 1935 and Master of Science degree in 1936.

Her first teaching experience, far away from New England, was at Sandia School for Girls in New Mexico from 1936 to 1941. Here she taught Mathematics and Physics. The school has a well known reputation for "breeding" career women and is a great deal like a "finishing school for young ladies." It is an experimental school with a 75 per cent scholarship enrollment.

In 1941, Miss Haskins joined the Bureau of Ships staff in Washington, D. C. as a mathematician. Her job dealt with pressure in the field of structural mechanics. After eight months, quite by accident, she became part of the M. I. T. staff. While working in Washington, D. C., our mathematician took a trip north to M. I. T. to get material for use in her work. After talk-

ing to several people there, she decided to remain in the Research Aeronautics Dept. Much of the research that she did consisted of attempting to mathematically calculate the stress on plane's wings at various speeds.

In 1943, she enlisted in the "Wacs" as a buck private. She remained in the Army until 1946 when she was discharged as a first lieutenant. During her military career she served as an aerial photo interpreter in England for the R. A. F. and the U. S. 8th Air Force.

Out of the Army and back to civilian life, Miss Haskins turned again to education. She taught Math in the 8th grade at Melrose, Mass. while earning her Master of Arts in Education at Radcliffe. In 1948, she came to F. T. C. as an instructor in Mathematics and Physics.

Among her many hobbies are tennis and bicycling. Last year, when she was house mother at Miller Hall, her bicycle was almost as familiar sight as was she. During her early years in the Army she pedaled over most of New England. The tennis part is something else; she is not so familiar a figure on the T. C. courts—but perhaps she prefers cement courts?

A vivid impression can be recalled of our instructor at the Sadie Hawkins Dance last year. She really looked far removed from the classroom with her braids falling down her back and her costume in true Dogpatch style.

Sponser of many activities, this year Miss Haskins says good-bye to the Senior class which for its entire college career has been under her able and friendly guidance. Another summer arrives, the seniors leave but their sponser returns, But what is this end? Developing ready to renew her activities.

the child into a biological specimen of rote thought or into a person who can look for a source, seek alternatives and then apply his own conclusions?

Our children are growing into adulthood with a mind that by its very limitations cannot determine the full meaning of Truth. Education for Life is a very lofty theme, but Life means more than adapting to one's society. A limited mind can not understand or appreciate the rich heritage of wisdom that has come down to us through the intellectual turbulence of many centuries. Furthermore, by being limited, individualism becomes extinct. Uniformity of expression is the result. We are then at an intellectual standstill. As far as Mr. Smith is concerned our students, from kindergarten through seats of "higher" learning, are becoming a nation of robots, unable to think for themselves. Thus, they will be ready to do their master's bidding since they know no other course. And when you have a nation of robots, despotism and selfish individual ends are the results. It is happening in Soviet Russia... must it happen here?

"And Madly Teach" is presented in a manner that shows Mr. Smith's intelligent interest in the subject. The writing style is free of wordy construction and consists instead of short compact sentences. Smith is vague on certain issues (ie: relationship of the family to education and religion's place in or out of the classroom), but his avowed position as a layman is completely justified by his handling of the subject, however inconclusive. In the brief space of 100 pages he has written all of his thought provoking criticisms of education.

This book is well worth a few hours of mental effort; it might prove to be the beginnings of an awakening of your own desires to be of intelligent value in education.



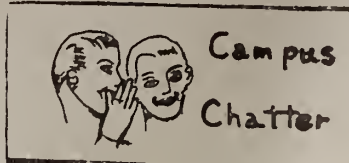
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AND MADLY TEACH

Mr. Smith (an unusually well informed "layman"), seriously disturbed concerning the failings of "Modern Education" presents a well defined critical analysis of the situation as it now exists. His main emphasis is on the failings of the almost completely scientific approach to education. In adhering to Dewey and absolutism educators are losing sight of the moral and spiritual values which are necessary components of the educated mind. By ignoring these values, education is saying in effect that ultimate truth can only be achieved by application of scientific method; thus relegating philosophy and the arts to a secondary role. They are forgetting that man is a metaphysical as well as a physical animal.

Most administrator-educators of today are emphasizing physical facilities such as proper ventilation, a well run cafeteria, an outstanding football team, and green blackboards. In interrogating their aims, Smith inquires as to which should be considered primary; the mind of the student or the physical surroundings for the benefit of that mind?

Mr. Smith is also quite indignant over the widening separation of education and the family. The ends of family and education are in open conflict. Our schools are too inclined to assume birth to death education of the individual. Guidance and intelligence (on the parents as well as the teacher's part) are needed to direct the child toward an end.



Flash....Statement of the week
 The Miller Hall girls are causing a small riot running around with their respective ratings. Myself, I got 100....What's your rating, or haven't you lived? ? ?

Special Congrats to Ruth Towns (frosh) and Don Miller (Jr.) who have just become engaged. Speaking for a great majority, we've been here for several years, and so far nothing has developed....Must be the Winchendon air, or maybe us?

Memo....Have you seen our new transfer student from Florida?

You can't miss her....it's the tan that does it every time. A clue, they call her "Spud."

Jottings....Pat Ryan pondering over her fabulous speaking roles in various assemblies.

Marion "Ches" Chesnick taking out a gun license for all those who dare call her.....

No, please, don't shoot....I won't tell them it's "Oogie." James O'Sullivan and John Foley talking to themselves....Have no fear, its legal. The excuse....

Senior Assembly. Tom Coburn and Ralph Clough with their respective harems....Quite an eyeful. A recollection....Bob Smith in the opera ooooooooooh those sideburns!! Dedicated to

Mary Murphy (Junior), from one who knows. "When He Was Sweet Sixteen." He was cute tho, Murph. We, and Ralph Lemay are all sorry to see Connie Daly leave us. With hope that she'll be back with us soon, may we say—"Good Luck, Con." We hope Sheila O'Connor after succssfully surveying Burbank Hospital will rejoin us soon at F. T. C.

AS THIS GOES TO PRESS, A LATE BULLETIN JUST INFORMED ME THAT THE FOLLOWING COUPLES ARE GO-

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BY
EUGENE
CASASSA

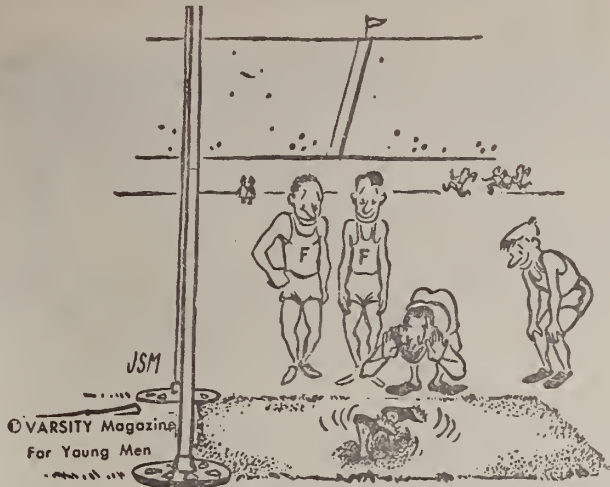
ASH-TRAY

Over the last two years it has been my pleasure to write a number of small essays which have paraded under the title of the Ash Tray. This use of the title, incidentally, is pure deceit. It lets the reader think that that which follows will be casual, informative, or charming as talk some times is over cigarettes and ash trays. Actually I have written nothing which people did not already know, very little that was casual, and I'm sure none of it was charming.

They say that a man who has a gun in his hand loses his sense of proportion and balance—even if unbeknown to him his gun is not loaded. A man with the ability to inscribe the words "I think" and to string words together in some coherent manner is very much the same of petty tyrant. Particularly when some are kind enough to say they liked it. (Such is the danger of promiscuous charity). Perhaps, (to strike a clumsy allegory) my gun has not been loaded. Perhaps I have been jousting with wind mills and in the manner of Don Quixote "ran To write about intelligently and with force. It is true, is it not, that anything worth doing is worth doing well?

Perhaps my successor will manage to say that which I have

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PANEL DISCUSSION
ON ACADEMIC FREEDOM

For their April Meeting, the S. C.A. invited Mr. Roger Holmes to act as moderator of a panel discussion on Academic Freedom. Serving on the Panel were Ralph Bessler, Jean Conaty, Pat Hartshorn and Fran Roberts. The topic was "What stand should we as Christian's take on Academic Freedom," and this was defined as "Freedom of expression of a teacher." Furthermore, it was pointed out that a Christian's stand would be exactly the same as a Jew's stand, therefore not unique. The Golden Rule, it was decided, would be the limit of Academic freedom.

Naturally, the question of "red-baiting" and teachers oaths arose. It was the opinion of those present that no one had the right to question a person as to his belief in Communism but rather whether or not he belonged to the Communist party. There was a great deal of controversy about Teacher's Oaths. Some said they were undemocratic while others said they were necessary for our protection.

Of course no actual conclusions were reached but it was decided that a stand that could be made was to allow freedom of every individual's obligation to God. The discussion stimulated those present to give more thought to a question very important to us as future teachers.

O'KEEFE SCHOLARSHIP

Nearly 200 Fitchburg Teachers College Alumni and guests met recently at the Newman House in Worcester for their annual scholarship card party. The proceeds of this activity of the Worcester Chapter is used for the award of a scholarship to a local young man. Robert. O' Keefe of Worcester, a junior at F.T.C., has been the recipient of this for the past three years. Because of his fine record, the alumni last night agreed that the award should be made to O' Keefe for the fourth time.

News and needs of the college were discussed and plans made for the promotion of better legislative understanding and support of the program of the teachers colleges. Miss Florence D. Conlon and Miss Gertrude M. Cunningham represented the College Public Relations Committee and Mr Richard Durnin, a member of the Fitchburg faculty, was a guest of the Worcester group.

TOWN CLEANERS

DRY CLEANING and PRESSING

NEXT TO CAMPUS SPA

DRESS SHIRTS
LAUNDERED

NEWMAN CLUB
COMMUNION BREAKFAST

A Corporate communion of members of the Newman Club was held Sunday May 20th. Following the 9 o'clock mass at Saint Bernard's Church, a breakfast was held at Clover Hill Restaurant, North Leominster Mass.

The Annual Report to the Newman Club by officers, community singing, and the installation of the new officers were the some of highlights of the Breakfast.

Guest Speaker, Lawrence H. Scanlon, principal of Fitchburg High school gave an interesting talk; his subject being, "Religion in Education".

The newly elected officers of the club are; President: Jerome F. Kennedy, a sophomore from Holyoke. Vice President: Edmund B. Sullivan, Salem, Mass. Treasurer: Robert J. Kiely, Cambridge, Mass. Secretary: Patricia Foley, Chicopee, Falls. Corresponding Secretary: Joan Fredenburg, Somerset. Delegates: Marian Roderick, New Bedford, Mass. Edward Sheehan, Arlington, Mass. John Sugrue will preside at the installation of officers.

The committee in charge of the breakfast were; Coordinating Chairman: Edward Convery. Tickets Ray Sarasin Breakfast Irving Dennis Mass Arrangements . Del Girard Guest Speaker .. Louis Rouleau Decorations . Lorraine Lyonnaise Invitations Shirley Howe Music Judith O'Shea Publicity Jerry Kennedy

LAMENT CONT

eth, she opened the package but to disclose samples of wood.

Yea, he holdeth his damsel's hand but to measure the friction thereof. And he kisseth her only to test the viscosity of her lips. For in his eyes there shineth a faraway look that is neither longing nor love but rather an attempt to recall a project of time past. There is only one key to his heart, and that is EPSILON PR TAU.

When his damsel writeth of love and signeth with crosses, he taketh these symbols not for kisses, but for corrigendum. Even his own heart fluttering he counted as a vision of beauty: and inscribeth as a formula his passion. And his marriage is a simultaneous equation involving two unknowns, and yeilding diverse results.

....Selected.

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Refreshment
arrives

Coca-Cola



JACK
LEGERE

G-CLEFF

Instead of discussing more music this week, we are going to read a little short story, or anecdote that I hope you will find interesting. It is entitled "The Threshold." But before we do this, anybody who doesn't know it, "If" is again first on the Hit Parade, this is the tenth week, with only one week in between when some other song hit the top. This is one song, however, that George, (G. Cleff's first name) likes and thinks is deserving of the position. Now for the story.

THE THRESHOLD

He walked slowly down the long corridor, past rooms where actions similar to those he was about to face were being enacted. The glaring flourescent lights were seemingly burning away any vestige of knowledge or experience that he had previously held in his head. This light had completely pervaded his mind, leaving space only for the loud echoing sound of his footsteps which reached his ear only after traveling from his feet to the wall, to the ceiling, to the floor, and then repeating several times, finally coming to his ears in a clicking jumble; no longer sounding like footsteps, but like horsemen heralding the impending doom.

He was almost there and his stomach was already screaming about the fate that he was now silently heading for. Here it wasthe door. The door he would ultimately have to enter. As he stopped outside the room, he wondered,...should he enter?...was it really the thing he should do? Once inside the door....what? No...No...No... Why should he enter this room and allow those people to rip him apart? He shouldn't....But then....He had been sent here by a decision he had made years ago. Turn back? No,...he would go on with it. As he was making this decision to cross that now ominous threshold, he could feel piece of paper in his pocket. The bulge of that now necessary The confidence he drew from this seemed, however, to be immediately discounted by the muffled sound of the voices inside the room. But,...those voices,... they were the very things he would soon command. He would soon supply things for these voices to sound. He had brought himself to this point, and there was no turning back.

He again looked at the threshold, and before he knew it, had crossed it. The glaring lights were left behind. The voices immediately hushed, leaving an unnatural quiet that only seemed to amplify his footsteps and being. Now he was at the spot he had been heading for. The eyes that belonged to the previous voices were focused on him. They seemingly merged into one large eye, belonging to one giant being. Now all was quiet. His footsteps had ceased, and only the ticking of the antique clock came though, marking time to his silent prologue, also telling at each tick, that fewer ticks remained before he would have to begin. He realized he must start, so he mustered up enough strength to remove the paper

FORGET-ME-NOT

Next Year we'll be sure to miss

Sue Wagner behind the counter at the Spa.

Irv Dennis his white buckskins.

Jack Newell and his "pink" car.

Joan Kenney our "Queen"

Jack Legere and his Park Ave. stride.

Lou Schulze and his bow ties.

Marion Chesnick "Keeper of the Dining Hall."

Ed Sandomeierski our "King"

Del Girard and her W.A.A. jacket.

Ausie Crossman and his athletic contacts.

Ralph Clough everyone's friend.

Bobbie O'Rourke and her smart clothes.

Bob Farrar and those basketball set shots.

Ed Convery The Newman Club.

Al Williams The Whalom Drive-In

Sally Healy her 4 year Co-Op office.

Rene Rheault his year round spring fever.

Dick Porteus and his artistic creations.

Gene Cassassa "The man Who Came To Dinner."

Louise Lagroe her efficiency.

John Kiosses and his "way with the women."

Jack Gainey his politics.

Larry Walsh....has "one" expression.

Leo McManus Pat Lilly.

James O'Sullivan his plaid jacket.

Ray Sarasin his pipe

Nancy Gentsch her T.V. appearances.

Al Stewart and Sue

Gwen Derby her dramatic ability.

Jack Sugrue that hearty laugh.

Wally Simms his brush cuts.

George Bettinger those plodding steps.

Bob Nearine and his camera.

Jim Conroy his Esso sweater.

Elaine Ojala her quiet mannerisms

Louis Armstrong and his band.

Leo Nowacki grey flannels and plaid shirts

Al Shaw Keeper of the Co-op."

Teachers Pets

Little Johnny was being grilled by his fourth grade teacher:

"Now, Johnny, how do you spell straight?

Johnny; "S-T-R-A-I-G-H-T"

Teacher; "And what does it mean?"

Johnny; "Without Ginger Ale"

from his pocket and put in on a table placed there for this purpose.

The eyes were now fluctuating from that paper to him, and back, ...waiting... waiting for him to begin. The words were being formed in his mind, but his throat did not function in this respect. Finally they came slowly but surely and evidently well planned. "Good morning class, I am your new teacher."

MEMORIAL KEY AWARD
JOSEPH E. CUTLER

The first annual award of the Joseph E. Cutler Memorial Key will be made June 9 at the meeting of Fitchburg Teachers College Alumni Association. The award, established by the class of 1939, will honor Ensign Cutler, who was killed when his plane crashed in Florida on July 27, 1943. The award, a gold key, will be presented each year to an outstanding student in the Industrial Arts graduating class.

Born in Groton, Massachusetts on April 25, 1915, the son of Mr. and Mr. John Cutler, Ensign Cutler was graduated from Groton High School in 1932. He entered Tufts Engineering School in 1933 and Fitchburg Teachers College in 1935. While at the local institution he was a member of the Gaveleer Society, and EPSILON PR TAU, the inter national honorary fraternity in industrial arts and vocational education.

After graduation in 1939 Cutler held teaching positions in Haverhill and Milton.

In June, 1942 Cutler entered the U.S. Navel Reserve and on April 27, 1943 after training at the Naval Air Station, Pensacola, Fla. was commissioned an Ensign in the Naval Reserve.

The Co-Chairmen of the Memorial Award Committee are Mrs. Mark Thatcher of Ashby and Henry A. Lambert, Jr. of Newtonville.

PHILO ASSEMBLY

The gaiety and fun poking life of T.C.'s community was depicted by the Philo's in their assembly.

Sprawled on the front steps, the students were actively engaged in campus chatter. The freshness of the balmy day lent no incentive to extra study so the multitudes swarmed to the stone levels in front of the administration building. Occasionally, a faculty member plowed his way through the mass in an attempt to reach the door. No professor passed by unnoticed!

The audience was introduced to these teachers through some characteristic peculiar to his personality. Miller Hall's house mother, Mrs. Simmons, came waltzing by with her usual cheerful laugh and was described with "You Belong To Me" sung by Sue Wagner. Mr. Conlon's popularity was fanned to the audience by Joan Scully when she animated, "I Like Mike."

Through the beauty and fluency of poetic expression Mr. Healy and Dr. Condikey were depicted by Genna Gibbons and Louisa Sobczak.

Mr. Donoghue was found among the group, passing out a volume of papers to Anne McKeeman. Ellen Ryan characterized his assignments with, "Im Forever Writing Papers". Our new faculty member, Dr. Swanson was not forgotten; Judy O'Shea and Louisa Sobczak introduced her with, "You're Not Sick, You're Just In Love".

The whole group had fun bringing to the stage, the common meeting place of T.C.'s population and the type of activity that goes on there. Before the closing of their annual assembly the Philos joined together in singing their alma mater.

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CLUB NEWS

Gaveleer Society

Pres.....James Pettengill
Vice Pres.....Ralph Lemay
Secretary.....Joseph McManus
Alumni Sec.....Loring Stevenson
Treasurer.....William Bernier
Advisor.....George F. Condikey

The annual Gav-Hawk was held at the Hillcrest Country Club in Leicester, Mass. on Saturday May 26. Chairman for the affair for the Gavs was Ralph Lemay assisted by Jack Newell. The Hawks were represented by Ralph Clough and Larry Walsh. Many former Gaveleer and Mohawk alumni attended their annual dinner dance.

Philodemic Society

Elections for new officers for the Philodemic Society were held on April 26. The results are:

President...Marianne Kennedy
Vice President...Gertrude Denault
Recording Sec...Genna Gibbons
Corresponding Sec...Ellen Ryan
Treasurer.....Martha Mannion

Dramatic Club News

President.....Murray Smith
Vice President...Joan Fredenburg
Secretary.....Beverly Sherwin
Treasurer.....Robert Bombard

A Revolutionary Year!

Next year, besides the regular activities, the Dramatic Club is considering radio appearances, as well as several other small productions to be presented either on campus or some other suitable locality.

All those interested in dramatics are invited to contact any of the present club members.

GLEE CLUB

The Glee Club has presented many excellent programs during this past year; the most outstanding of which was their presentation of "The Bartered Bride."

At present they are planning a club picnic, which will be held on May 31 at Willard Brook.

The club has made a motion that through their aid and with the willing assistance of other organizations on campus it might be possible to work toward the purchase of a new curtain for the stage in the auditorium.

The Glee Club will conclude its year by leading songs on Class Day and taking part in the Baccalaureate and Graduation services the week end of June 8th.

The Glee Club Officers for next year have been elected. They are: President Wesley Rowe
Vice President .. Anne Popoloski
Treasurer Harland Williams
Secretary Lois Hanson
Librarians .. Gloria Francesconi and Anita Wheeler

A LAMENT

Verily, I say unto you, marry not a shop teacher, for a shop teacher is a strange being, and is possessed of many evils. He speaketh in parables, which he calleth formulation of ideas, and he wieldeth logic to consummate his aims. And he hath only one philosophy, Industrial Arts.

He thinketh only of tools and processes and without end of methods. He showeth always a serious aspect, and seemeth not to know how to smile. He picketh his seat in a car by the springs therein and not by the damsel. Neither does he know a forest except by its products, nor a sunset except that he must turn on the light, nor a damsel except by her weight. Always he looketh for ideas and he entertaineth his sweetheart with sketches of future projects. Verily, though his damsel expecteth chocolates when he call-

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Adelphian Society

President.....Beverly Sherwin
Vice Pres.....Betty Pechulis
Secretary.....Marilyn Miller
Treasurer.....Mary Murphy
Corr. Sec.....Joan Wilson
Hospitality Chairman.....
.....Nancy Kenney

Trip to Fort Devens

Tuesday, May 8, 1951 a group of girls from the Adelphian Society made a trip to Lovell General Hospital, Fort Devens to entertain.

The wounded soldiers thoroughly enjoyed the entertainment, general singing, and dancing.

It is expected that similar trips will be made in the future with both the fellows and girls looking forward to them.

Esoteric Society

President Edward Regan
Vice Pres. .. Myron Eisenhaure
Secretary Robert Kiely
Corresponding Sec. . Paul Healy
Treasurer Joe Sullivan

The club is expecting another successful year under the leadership of their new officers.

Mohawk Club

Chief.....Bernard Belles
Medicine Man.....Joseph Farias
Scribe.....George Bosworth
Keeper of the Wampum.....
.....Edward Hill

The Mohawk Club is looking forward to the same success the club has enjoyed in past years.

SCHOOL PICNIC

Once again as Spring rolled 'round, there was a yearning for the "wide open spaces". So what did we do to alleviate the sufferings of the student body? why, we had a school picnic. Each year the picnics are better and better, but this year was the best of all.

Just think, we had no classes.. beautiful weather, warm and sunny; the picnic tables were laden with food; some of the hardy souls went swimming, and there were sports for the athletes. All your friends were there because just everyone goes.

The picnic got underway at 1:00 o'clock, or thereabouts, and transportation was provided for those who did not have rides. The sports program was an excellent one with volleyball, and softball games between the different societies and clubs' horse-shoes and all types of novelty races. In order that no one might succumb under the rigorous sports program, truckloads of food were consumed. Meaning that some people must have had seconds, thirds and

Everything ran along smoothly and congratulations are in order to Joe Farias who was in charge of the sports program, along with Nancy Kenney, Helen Hammond, and John Kiesses, also Murray Smith, Chairman of transportation, and Anita Wheeler; Chairman of the Food Committee and all the other people who helped in any way.

It was certainly a wonderful way to spend an afternoon and your friends were there with you, so let's just put all our work aside and rest and save our energy for next year's annual outing here's to bigger and better school picnics, and we'll see you all next year at Willard Brook!

Schoolboy in a Geography Class; "The principal export of the United States is money."

TOKALON ASSEMBLY

"Tragedy of our Time"

The hilarious (we use the word loosely) but sad "Tragedy of Our Time" was re-enacted for the Student Body by the members of the To Kalon Society. A skit, centered around the eventful night before Christmas vacation, and the burning of the Barracks, proved both reminiscent and riotous. The former occupants of the Barracks who were not To-Kalon Society members were portrayed by the Tokes. The audience was given a chance to look in on the Barracks the night before Christmas vacation; and a hilarious night it was too!.... The Tokes painting their sign on a window; Christmas Caroling exclusively by the "Boys"; even the policeman thought Jack Sugrue would make a terrific Santa Claus; in case you wondered, it was Joyce Laventure who kept yelling, "Goodnight Charlie"; Jane Wood, with her deep hearty laugh, made an "ideal" Santa Claus for the Christmas party. And to go back a few months...The Esso's looking for night crawlers on the front lawn; and the Philo's with the aid of the Sax Directory looking for dates for their formal.

The Tokes gave the audience a glance at dorm life. When the "inmates" aren't studying for a test, or going to bed early to get just one good night's sleep out of a week's, there is fun and confusion; telephone calls, borrowed clothes, dates, and a million and one other things to keep the girls busy.

The ToKalons also offered a few very interesting and amusing tangents to their program. An introductory skit, "Love on A Park Bench"—"starring" Pat Foley and Rosalie McInerney gave the audience a preview of the comedy to follow. Another tangent, a satire on old fashioned pictures, featured "Wild Nell, The Pet Of The Plains"

The assembly concluded, however as it began, in a serious vein. As is the custom of the Tokes at their annual assembly, a gift presented to the school on their behalf. This year, President Patricia Lilly presented a Philosophy book to the college library.

The finale of the assembly included a selection of songs by the members ending with the To-Kalon Society song.

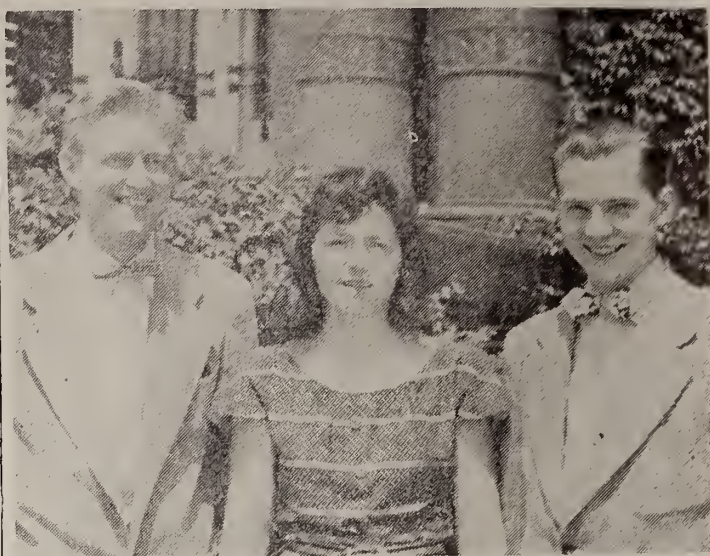
The assembly, commemorating the fifth year of the ToKalons showed both enthusiasm and club spirit and was enjoyed by all who attended.

SENIOR PROMENADE

The annual Senior Promenade was held Friday, May eighteenth at the Oak Hill Country Club in Fitchburg. The dinner which began at seven-thirty had on its menu swordfish and steak. Each girl was presented with a leather picture frame inscribed with the college seal as a token of remembrance. Dr. and Mrs. White, Dean and Mrs. Weston, Dean Bolger, and Miss Haskins, class sponsor, were among the invited guests. The seniors and their partners danced to the music of Jerry Wood's orchestra.

General Chairman of the affair was Al Williams. Other committee heads were Leo McManus, location; Jack Legere, orchestra; Nancy Hult and Roberta O'Rourke, invitations; and Joan Kenny, favors.

The dance was a complete success and to borrow an old saying "A good time was had by all".



SENIOR PERSONALITIES

IRVING DENNIS

One of the busiest people on campus this month is tall, blonde, Irving Dennis, President of the Senior Class. Fortunately, we were able to detain him long enough between conferences with Miss Haskins and other important persons to obtain a brief biography. In addition to being Class President, Irv is chairman of the committee planning Class Day, so any favorable criticism may be given to him. A native of Leominster, Irv spent some time in the U.S. Navy and then entered Brown University, later transferring to F.T.C. Here at T.C. he has been a member of the Mohawk Club, Ski Club, and Sports Editor of the Stick. In his spare time Irv enjoys putting around his car and is a car racing enthusiast. Other sports in which he is interested include skating, skiing and hockey. Irv is engaged to Jeanne Croteau, a five-year nursing student now in her fourth year at Burbank Hospital School of Nursing. Next year will find Irv Principal of a four room school in Leverett, Mass., where he will also teach grades seven and eight. Best of luck in Leverett and wherever else the future may find you, Irv!

LEO MC MANUS

Known to most of us as Editor of the Stick, Leo McManus began his journalistic career at St. Bernard's High school here in Fitchburg as Editor of the Blue and Gold. He is particularly interested in writing, evidence of which may be seen in recent editions of the Stick. Leo is also interested in all phases of radio, from building them to announcing, which he has done part-time for both WEIM and WHOB and has participated in our own College Views and Interviews. Leo also enjoys both fishing and hunting and his gun collection is one of his pride and joys. His other activities include the Gaveleer Society, Newman Club, and at present, the Senior Prom Committee. Graduate school, perhaps leading to a Doctor's Degree, teaching in secondary schools or college, and someone named Patricia are included in Leo's plans for the future, which we're sure will be bright!

JOAN KENNEY

In looking over the girls in the Class of 1951 for outstanding personalities, one of the first to be discovered is Joan Kenney. Joan is known to all, not only because of her striking appearance, which is aided by her fondness for outstanding jewelry and clothing, but because of her participation in so many school activities. Joan has been active in all sports here at T.C. and has been a member of the W.A.A. board for three years. She has also earned her white jacket, the highest award given by the W.A.A. In addition, Joan has been an active member of the Glee Club, Philodemic Society and Newman Club, holding the office of Secretary in the later. She is also Secretary of the Senior Class and of the Student Co-op and this year received one of the highest honors in the school when she was chosen Queen of the Winter Carnival. At the present time, Joan is planning on working at a resort for the summer, with a teaching position awaiting her in Springfield in September. We know that her record here at T.C. is only an indication of the success in store for her in the future!

ALAN SHAW

Among the staid, solid, well established married men on campus is Allan Shaw. Married on June 6 of last year, Al is now comfortably situated in the barracks, where he was discovered by your roving reporter washing his car. He is a resident of Walpole, Mass., and previous to his arrival at F.T.C. was a dive bomber pilot in the Navy Air Corps. He holds the highest position in the student body, that of President of the Student Co-op, and is also a member of the Esoteric Society, and EPSILON PR TAU, national honorary society. Al played basketball his first year here and has been an outstanding soccer player for his entire three years. Besides domestic chores such as washing the car and gardening, he is also interested in woodworking. Plans for the future in addition to those of a family soon, include teaching in Auburn, Mass. There Al will teach both shop and science in Junior High School and we feel sure he will be successful!

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SPORTS REVIEW

W.A.A. ACTIVITIES

BY
PAT
KENNEDY



PERSONALITIES

DELORES GIRARD

Delores Girard, another one of the few girls on the T.C. campus that has a W.A.A. jacket, has also gone out for just about every sport offered. Del could be seen playing basketball, volleyball, softball and field hockey every time there was a practice. She is really an "eager beaver" as far as sports are concerned.

JEAN CONATY

Jean Conaty has been a very busy girl this year, with the Stick under her leadership and training and then classes, she hasn't partially had much time for sports. However, her first three years she played volleyball, softball, basketball and field hockey. This year, she has played as much as possible. Jean has really done good work in the field of sports and truly can be considered one of the outstanding Senior girls in sports.

SUSAN STEWART

Sue Forester Stewart, a member of the FTC basketball team, has really done outstanding work in sports since she came to this college. Sue went out for every sport offered her first three years and has still carried on many of them all through her busy senior year. Sue also is the proud possessor of the W.A.A. jacket.

MARION CHESNICK

Marion Chesnick, one of the Seniors, has already received her W.A.A. jacket as a result of points gained for participating in sports. Chez has been seen on the basketball court, the softball field and playing volleyball for the past four years. She was also on inter-mural teams. She has done a good job in all three sports and was able to continue them to some extent all through training.

W. A. A. BANQUET

The annual W.A.A. Banquet was held on Monday, May 28 at the Old Mill Tea Room. This yearly affair affords an opportunity for the presentation of awards such as letters, keys and the highly prized W.A.A. jacket to those who have achieved the necessary points in sports. This year three girls received their jackets Arlene Bonitz Nancy Kenney and Pat Hartshorn. The installation of officers for next year took place.

Those who served on the various committees were: Posters — Carol Lynch; Invitations — Genna Gibbons; Tickets — Elaine Wenier; Transportation — Gertrude Bennet; Where and Place — Anita Wheeler; Programs — Nancy Hult; Entertainment — Nancy Kenney; Seating Plan — Trudy Denault; Decorations — Maureen Elder.

The Guest speaker was Barbara Clark who spoke on Community Recreation.

SPORTS BRIEFS

Softball...Practices are being held every Monday and Wednesday afternoons, in preparation for the Green and White Games; under the capable direction of Pat Ryan.

Badminton...Mildred Murnane and Pat Kennedy won the finals in the recent doubles badminton tournament for the upper-classesmen.

Volleyball...The White Team captured the honors in the recent volleyball tournament by defeating the Green Team. The score... White Team...three games; Green Team...two games.

W. A. A. OFFICERS

President: Gertrude Denault
Vice Pres: Marilyn Brennan
Secretary: Helen Hammond
Treasurer: Gloria Spadaro
Senior Rep: Louise Sobczak

HEADS OF SPORTS

Hockey: Betty LaFlame
Basketball: Arlene Bonitz
Anne McKeeman
Swimming: Noreen McDowell
Volleyball: Lainey Weiner
Archery: Marilyn Wear
Ping Pong and
Roller Skating: Beverly Sherwin
Badminton: Pat Kennedy
Softball: Nancy Kenney
Tennis: Betty Pachulis
Green Team Captain: Helen Mullin

White Team Captain: Joan Francoeur
Softball—Practices are being
Badminton—Mildred Murnane
Volleyball—The White Team
classmen.
White Team—three games;

BOB FARRAR

One of the busiest Seniors in recent weeks has been Bob Farrar, of Townsend, Besides playing a very full baseball schedule, the soft-spoken commuter is the college marshal and also has the time-consuming responsibility of chairman of the Class Day committee.

Four years as forward on the basketball team (high-scorer for three years), and three years on the baseball squad, which organization he captained last year, makes Bob somewhat of an authority on college sports. Says he about our sports program in general; "I think that sports as set up here are well rounded and quite adequate. However, a new gym would improve the playing caliber of the basketball team in particular, since they then would have the proper facilities for practice." Bob went on to say that, "Potentially, baseball and basketball could be every bit as successful as soccer, the good material is here, it needs only to be brought out."

Bob, a member of the Gavs, summed up his comments on sports with three points. First, more student backing and support is needed; second, more spirit is needed on the teams; and third, Bob says, "Any boy who has athletic ability should be encouraged to go out for varsity sports."

ED CONVERY

One of the entertaining highlights during the past two soccer seasons has been that of an energetic figure dashing madly up and down the field continually outfoxing the opposition. Little in body but big in heart, Ed, has been an example to all with his clever handling of the wing position, as a player and as a gentleman.

When finally interrupted, by this reporter's questions, during one of his patented song and dance routines, Ed stated in regard to elementary coaching that he hoped to do some work in that area along with his teaching of the Social Sciences.

Before matriculating at F.T.C. Ed spent two years with the Army of Occupation in Germany. Since his arrival, he has furthered the welfare of the student body by participation in the Esoteric Society, Glee Club, 1951 Sax board and the Newman Club.

ED SANDOMIERSKI

ED SANDOMIERSKI, One senior athlete whose graduation will leave a big gap in the basketball and baseball squads at F.T.C. is Ed Sandomierski. A native of Fall River, he intends to enter the teaching profession after graduation. However, Sandy says, "First I must conform to the whims and rigors of Army life." When he does start teaching, Sandy would like to coach either basketball or baseball.

In regard to sports at F.T.C., Sandy feels that they could be supported more by the student body. He says, "Sports are a worth-while recreational activity, and the sports program at F.T.C. is well-rounded. There is a great deal of potential athletic material here, but not enough of it is brought out."

Sandy is well qualified to speak on sports, as he has been on the varsity basketball and baseball squads for four years. This year he was elected captain of the 1951 baseball team.

Ed is a member of the Mohawk Club and of Epsilon Pi Tau.

VARSITY BASEBALL

CLARK

The opening game of the F. T. C. baseball season for 1951 proved to be a heart-breaker as the Falcons dropped an 8-7 verdict to Clark University at Worcester on April 18. Clark pushed across the winning tally in the last of the eighth after the Falcons had overcome a five run deficit. It was a tough ball game for Bobby Farrar to lose as he had hurled shut out relief ball until the fatal eighth.

NORTH ADAMS

The F. T. C. baseball team slaughtered North Adams T. C. 11-3 at North Adams on April 26. The Falcons scored early and often and the final outcome was never in doubt. The Falcons backed up the pitching of Bob Farrar and Vin DeNovellis with timely hitting. Captain Ed Sandomierski, Jack Ragala, and Ike Eisenhaure led the assault with three hits apiece. One of Sandy's hits was a long home run to left center field. This was the Falcon's first win of the 1951 season.

SALEM

The F. T. C. Baseball team lost to Salem Teachers College 6-1 at Salem on April 27. The Falcons, who had scored 18 runs in their first two games, just couldn't hit with men on base, and thus were held to a single score. Rene Rheault started on the mound, and was the victim of poor support in the early innings. Minty Costello pitched well in relief.

KEENE

The Falcon's first home game of the season was a dismal one as Keene, New Hampshire, wholloped the Green and White to the tune of 16-0. The Falcons were never in contention after the third inning, and the game rapidly assumed the proportions of a rout. One of the features of the game was a tremendous Kene home run that traveled over 400 feet. The blast carried well over the left center field wall. The Keene team was the strongest team that the Falcons had faced thus far and will rate consideration in the race for the Teachers College Conference Championship.

WORCESTER

The Falcons humbled Worcester Teachers College 19-11 at Worcester on May 10. The Falcons jumped off to a five-run lead in the first inning and stayed in the lead for the rest of the game. Rene Rheault went the distance for F. T. C., and became the first Falcon pitcher to hurl a complete game. Ed Hill and Captain Ed Sandomierski wholloped homers to pace the Fitchburg attack.

BOSTON

The Falcons dropped a loosely played game to Boston Teachers College by a score of 21-11 on May 12. The Falcons fell behind by five runs in the opening inning, but fought their way back into the game until they took an 11-10 lead in the top of the eighth inning. However, in the last of the eighth costly errors paved the way for a complete collapse by the Falcons pitchers. Vin De Novellis, Bob Farrar, Bill Matte, and Joe Mahoney pitched for the Falcons, but they could not stop the Bostonians. Bill Matte's three-run homer was the highlight of the Green and White attack.

SALEM

The Green and White avenged a previous defeat as they trounced Salem T. C. 25-12, at Fitchburg. The Falcons pounced on a trio of Salem pitchers for their highest run production of the season. Bill Matte started on the mound for F. T. C. and pitched well. However, wildness proved to be his downfall. Minty Costello came on to blank Salem for the rest of the game.



GORHAM

The Falcons, playing their best game of the season, defeated a highly rated Gorham Teachers College nine by a score of 8-7 on May 18. Rene Rheault pitched an excellent game and received fine support, both at the plate and in the field. Gorham used three pitchers in a vain attempt to silence the Fitchburg batsmen, but the Falcons really poured it on.

PLYMOUTH

The Falcons won their third game in a row as they defeated Plymouth, N. H., 6-3, on May 25. Rene Rheault gained his third straight victory as he pitched a fine game, allowing only five hits. The Green and White, meanwhile, pounded two Plymouth pitchers for 11 singles and three doubles.

F. T. C. was trailing, 3-2 going into the eighth inning, but in that inning the Falcons tallied four big runs to sew up the game. Rheault received excellent support both at bat and in the field.

Ike Eisenhaure was the "big gun" as he collected two singles and a double. Ed Sandomierski with a single and a double, and Stan Bernatowicz, with two hits, also were heavy hitters. Rheault helped his own cause with two timely hits. Everyone in the lineup got at least one hit. This win boosted F. T. C. over the .500 mark for the first time in the current season.

SLIPPERY SOFTBALL

On Monday morning, May 28, the Junior men announced, in a notice posted in Palmer Hall, that they were the self-proclaimed softball champs of the school. The notice went on to say that they would gladly defeat any class team that was so foolish as to challenge them. By noon the Freshmen, too young to be afraid, had decided to make the jaunty Juniors prove their worth. The contest was scheduled for that evening.

A few hours before the game was to get under way, however, there was a heavy thunderstorm that turned the "well-drained" Falcon Field into a duck pond. Both teams agreed, though, that the show must go on regardless of the dampness.

Swim trunks and water wings composed the official uniform, and each team swam two laps around the bases to loosen up. Promptly at 6:30 the Juniors boarded a motor launch and were taken to their positions in the field. Despite the fact that the non-swimmers experienced some difficulty when they tried to bat with life jackets on, each side scored plenty of solid hits. The Juniors were the long-ball hitters of the evening as two well-slugged apples were washed over the left field fence for homers. Freshmen took the honors in the Free Style and Backstroke events.

The contest was nip and tuck all the way. For every man lost at sea on one team, there was one drowned on the other. The only humorous note of the game was when one of the Frosh swam

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VARSIY AVERAGES

Hill	42	9	17	20	14	12	404
Martin	36	9	9	20	5	0	240
Rajala	38	9	12	18	7	1	315
Eisenhaure	38	15	16	31	11	6	421
Matte	25	4	7	52	6	3	350
Sandomierski	37	11	19	64	7	4	513
Walsh	26	7	6	7	1	0	231
Bernatowicz	34	13	15	10	13	2	441
Stevenson	30	7	8	2	1	0	266
Costello	7	2	2	0	10	0	286
Rheault	14	2	5	1	14	1	357
Farrar	10	2	3	0	19	0	300
De Noveillis	1	0	1	0	4	0	1000
Kiely	1	0	0	0	1	1	000
Rebello	1	0	0	0	0	0	000
Pollock	1	0	0	0	0	0	000
Trainer	1	0	0	0	0	0	000
LaFlamme	1	0	0	0	0	0	000
Mahoney	0	0	0	1	0	0	—

Matte	1 win	0 Defeats
Rhaault	3 Wins	1 Defeat
Farrar	1 win	3 Defeats
Denovellis	0 Win	0 Defeats
Costello	0 Win	0 Defeats
Mahoney	0 Win	0 Defeats

2 Base Hits	3 Base Hits
Hill 4	Rajala 2
Sandomierski 3	Hill 1
Eisenhaure 4	Home Runs
Matte 2	Matte 1
Rajala 1	Hill 1
Martin 1	Sandomierski 1
Stevenson 1	

CLASS DAY
campus. This will be followed by a dance in the lobby for the Seniors and remaining students. Refreshments will be served at 10:30 and at 11:00—Good-night!

SUZIE
A group of students gathered around the dog after she had crawled across the street to lie at the curbstone. Students opinions varied from trying to save to having her destroyed. The dog officer finally arrived and was granted permission by Mr. Holmes to have the dog destroyed.

Suzies college career did not start at Fitchburg, as most people are inclined to believe, but at Cushing Academy where she lived with her former mistress. Suzie was born at Martha's Vineyard in March, 1945. From there she moved to Ashburnham where she resided with Mrs Ruth Smith. She prepared for her entrance to Fitchburg State Teachers College by a four year preparatory course at Cushing Academy. She graduated with honors and was graciously accepted at Fitchburg so that she might continue her education.

During her first weeks here she won the hearts of all the students and was not probed to deeply about her past. With the scarcity of space, Suzie was permitted to live at Palmer Hall, where she soon became legally adapted. Unlike many girls, Suzie did not have to watch her waistline. She was the most faithful person in the dining room, and very rarely missed a meal. The few meals that Suzie missed were due to her well earned vacation at the Angel Memorial Hospital in Boston, when on January 31, 1951 she presented us with a litter of seven puppies consisting of four daughters and three sons.

On her return to the dorm Suzie was treated like a movie queen and received a steady stream of visitors from her friends to show their affection for her and her puppies.

ALUMNI NOTE
ed pictures of college activities. She announced that the alumni were invited to attend the Class Day exercises on Saturday, June 9. The annual Alumni Reunion will be held in Boston later in June.

SENIOR ASSEMBLY
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Lobby of the Subnormal Country Club; the members still concerned over their becoming teachers. The name has been decided and everyone agrees at least on this: thus the "State Bookmaker's College" has been founded.

The conference room of the "Bookmaker's College" provides the scene for Act Two. Miss McCarty (Sally Regan) acts as chairman for a round table discussion concerning a "Join Now" movement. To illustrate the new movement and the military affairs board, Mr Weston (Ralph Clough). Mr. Harrington (Gerry McGrain), and Mr. Conlon, (Leo McManus) portray the "Spirit of '76" in really "revolution".... ary fashion.

The discussion begins again. Mrs. Simmons (Betty Hasset) explains geologically the pro and con points of the argument; Miss Haskins (Bobby O'Rourke), how it would affect us mathematically, and Miss Clark (Jean Cadwell) the physical education viewpoint. Some discussion over the placement of Biology books in the Library caused an interruption in the Round Table.... Miss Hassel (Elsie Guerra) shot Dr. Ross (Pat Ryan). However, Miss Donovan (Marion Ches-



Scene from operetta l. to r. Anne Le blanc, Ruth Clark and Beverly Sherwin.

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red, white and blue peasant costume.

Murray Smith convulsed the audience with his interpretation of Marie's half-wit suiter. He acted the part in a most hilariously convincing manner.

Ruth Clark, and her two harlequin assistants, won the admiration of all with their graceful leaps and the intricate steps. It was Ruth who directed all the dancing in the production, and to her goes a great deal of credit.

As the sly, scheming, mercenary marriage broker, Wesley Rowe did an excellent job. Ann Popoloski and Joan Francoeur were the mothers of Marie and Jenik respectively and added their talents in complicating

CAMPUS CHATTER
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ING TO THE.... Oh, maybe I'd better not tell. I'd rather you be surprised. Could you kill me huh???

Did you notice the white shoes that have hit our once fair campuses.... What next? Sorry experts, they are really, collegiate.

All these lucky girls that get pledged into the mens clubs on campus. Shirley Crowder and June Hodgkins are now sporting Mohawk pins—the former property of Rick Riccutti and Carl Pohlman, respectively—Congratulations—

A THOUGHT... before I close, I must mention that all literary lovers should encourage Mona Perrault to write a short autobiography (1 page) of some of her adventures, especially the "roof episodes".... If they should ban it in Boston, see me. I KNOW the girl personally.

Well till next time (unless the complaints are too many)
"Me"

nick) is always an efficient Red Cross worker and immediately proves her capabilities. She explains this in her own version of "Let Me In I Hear Gunshots".

Mr. Kent (Bob Farrar) arrives after the funeral exercises for Dr. Ross and proceeds to eliminate the sadness by leading a peppy song in which all the faculty join.

Act three takes place in the lobby of the State Bookmaker's College. Miss Nixon's (Maxine Hertel) drama class (Lorraine Domingue, Nancy Hult, Nancy Gentsch, Pat Merrill, Jean Conaty, Jim Loomis, Eddie Erickson, Don O'Sullivan, Dick Newell and Fred Cole is discovered in a before class session doing a rigorous dance(?) to "Tzena, Tzena." They are discovered in this gay mood by the faculty who are not only concerned but alarmed at such a thing.

The assembly ended with the entire group singing, "So Long, It's Been Good To Know You." And to the Seniors.... thanks for an assembly well done. So long, it's been good to know you too, may you have success wherever you go.

their children's love affair. As the somewhat stern and pompous fathers, Robert Paine and Constantine Christy gave well acted and believable performances.

The chorus sang well and with much gusto; praising, warning, and scolding the various principals of the cast by turn. The costumes were very colorful, adding a great deal to the general effect. The girls wore gaily colored skirts and hair bows, white blouses and black bodices. Their feet were adorned with black shoes and vivid red stockings. The boys strutting proudly in their black leather boots, were clad in bright sashes and vests and black trousers.

The eight Polka dancers whirled and spun about the stage in a fast and spirited dance which left everyone but the performers breathless.

In the story a group of wandering minstrels put on a skit. Included in this were Jack Legere, the glib tongued barker, Robert Bombard, a tumbling clown, Eugene Cassasa—Yes it was! as a blue eyed indian.

The whole entertainment certainly proved the F.T.C. has talent and ability, as well as outstanding guidance and direction, for putting on a good show!

SLIPPERY SOFTBALL

under water to steal second base. Upon his arrival, he discovered to his dismay that the base had drifted away!

Final score for the game—Freshmen, 33 hits, 26 runs, and 5 errors; Juniors, 28 hits, 21 runs, and too many errors to mention.

VARSITY BASEBALL
KEENE

On Tuesday, May 29, the F.T.C. baseball team won its fourth consecutive game as they trounced Keene, N.H., 15-3, at Keene. The victory was especially pleasing to the Falcons, as they had been beaten by Keene, 16-0, earlier in the season. Rene Rheault, likewise winning his fourth game in succession, went all the way for Fitchburg as he allowed but five scattered hits. Rene served up two home run balls during the first three innings, but after that he set down Keene with one hit over the last six innings. The Falcons trailed, 3-1, in the third inning, but then began to tee off on the Keene pitchers, and the game turned into a rout. This game was the final conference encounter of the year for F.T.C. The conference record stands at five wins and two losses, for a percentage of .714.

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WORCESTER

Memorial Day saw F. T. C. go down in defeat to Worcester Teachers College, 3-2, in a game played at Falcon Field. Despite the good pitching of Minty Costello, he got poor support from the field. Fitchburg scored in the fourth inning when Eisenhaure singled, and Stephenson tripled. Stephenson scored latetr in the inning on Sandomierski's fly ball. Worcester scored her winning runs in the eighth. Tony Shooshan pitched solid ball for Worcester, once striking out three men with bases loaded. This was not a conference game.

BOSTON

The F. T. C. baseball team concluded its 1951 season with a victory, as they defeated Boston Teachers, 7-4, on Thursday, May 31. Rene Rheault, pitching the last game of his varsity career, won his fifth game in a row. Rene gave up seven hits, walked five, and struck out eleven batters.

The Falcons scored once in the first inning, but Boston tallied two runs in the first and more inn the third to lead, 4-1. However, the Falcons exploded in the bottom of the third for six runs. Thereafter, both pitchers settled down to hurl shutout ball the rest of the way.

Fitchburg thus ended the season with a record of seven wins against five losses, a very successful year.

ASH TRAY

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neglected. Perhaps he will be of serious mein and devoted to his ideals. I hope sincerely that he sees both the good and the bad. And that both good and bad will be deemed worthy of coment. I hope he is a crusader. An intelligent crusader is a necessary spice for college life.

I wish that I could think of some "gem" with which to close my final remark, but I can't, somehow. I will instead thank sincerely the people on THE STICK staff that I have worked with, and the people who have read my efforts and not found me too lacking. Its been a pleasure.

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CLASS OFFICERS

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not overlooked.

Another student from Gardner, James Haverly has been elected to the office of treasurer.

Francis Roberts, a Marblehead resident and member of the Mo-hawks will fill the office of Junior class president while Bill Bernier from Fitchburg was elected Vice President. Bill is a Gaveleer and a skiing enthusiast.

Future treasurer, Loring Stephenson from Fitchburg is well known in local and Teachers College athletics. Martha Mannion from Fall River, a Philodemic, will be the Junior class secretary.

Robert Smith, a senior from Leominster is the choice of the class of 1952 for president. Bob is active in the Glee Club and in the Esoterics.

Vice President, Helen Mullin commutes from Ayer, Helen is an Adelpian and has been active on the Commuting Women's board.

Another well known commuter, Noreen McDowell from Fitchburg will fill the secretarys office. Noreen was class marshall last year and is an Adelpian.

Robert McGrath has been elected treasurer of the senior class. Bob, a member of the Esoterics lives in Fitchburg.

Our best wishes and good luck to these new officers in their undertakings for the coming year.

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hawk Club.

Mary Murphy, of Everett, Class of '52, is the Exchange Editor who will have the task of mailing THE STICK editions to colleges all over the country. Mary is a newly elected officer of The Adelpian Society, and a member of the Glee Club.

Mr. Clarence Calder of Lynn, Class of '52, is the Production Manager. "Clem" is an active member of the Esoteric Society.

Mr. Donald Craft of Ashfield, class of '53, is the Advertising Manager.

Mr. Maryan Nowak of Taunton, Class of '52, is the Business Manager.

Miss Constance Daley of West Quincy, Class of '54, is the Assistant Feature Editor.

Mr. David Meadows of Gardner, Class of '54, is Assistant News Editor.

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for the co-op to start contemplating. By the way we would like to call to the attention of the student body that contemplation is not the child of complacency.